

### Clarifying Issues of Proposed Raymond Housing

By Gerry L. Galvan

Obviously still smarting from an isolated hostile neighborhood reaction to January and February *Grapevine* reports on the John King Senior Housing, a lead worker at Mercy Charities Housing California (MCH) pressed an issue "to clarify" items which her group deemed inaccurate and damaging to their interest.

Amy Bayley, community organizer at MCH, said the *Grapevine* reports didn't represent the true picture of housing development activities in Visitacion Valley. She said the John King Senior Center (JKSC), as well as MCH and Housing Conservation and Development Corporation were lodging a complaint through a letter. At this juncture, JKSC CEO John King interrupted Bayley, saying he didn't authorize use of his center as party to the letter. He cautioned Bayley to desist as the issue has been long dead. The stories were accurate, he said.

In the February 1997 *Grapevine*, an item conveying the idea that the proposed 91-unit HUD senior housing complex at 500 Raymond Ave. had been a "done deal" disturbed some neighborhood residents. A tiny group of activists sent waves that ripped the Mayor's desk at City Hall, as well as MCH and HCDC.

During a May 14 JKSH administrative board meeting, Bayley expressed her group's desire of seeing on *Grapevine* pages their side of the home's rest concerning the "done deal" reports.

Bayley's clamor was still demonstrated, notwithstanding John King's position made known earlier during the week that there was nothing inaccurate in reporting the housing project as a "done deal." King made the explicit observation that the issue had been dead; therefore, there was no sense in discussing it any further.

Both MCH and HCDC prepared a two-page letter in mid-April in which they showed the King Center as one of the signatories. John King discovered the alleged participation and scolded the persons behind the letter.

Bayley's group had contended that proposed King senior housing couldn't be a "done deal" without



Dara Kovel (right) of Mercy Charities Housing updated the developments during a May 14 administrative board meeting of the John King Senior Housing proposed for the 500 block of Raymond Avenue. In attendance (counterclockwise from right) are Meea Kang, Ken Collins, Darlene Williams, John King, Amy Bayley and La Vergne Keppard.

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neighborhood participation and input. Following is an excerpt of the letter which King didn't authorize: "John King Senior Center, Mercy Charities Housing California and Housing Conservation and Development Corporation..." (which the letter identified as "the sponsors") "...received preliminary reservation of funding in November 1996. This set the stage for the beginning of the planning and development process. The first of seven meetings held to date (sic) was held on Feb. 13 at Visitacion Valley Elementary School to announce the beginning of the planning and design process for both the senior housing and the Geneva Towers site development (sic)..."

The letter writers' list contains eight separate meetings, not seven. To wit: 1) Feb. 13, 1997, Introduction to community and planning process; 2) Feb. 22, First community-wide planning meeting; 3) March 13, Meeting with immediate neighbors; 4) March 15, Second community-wide planning meeting; 5) March 18, Meeting with ESL classes at the Visitacion Valley Community Center; 6) April 10, Meeting with immediate neighbors; 7) April 19, Third community-wide planning meeting; and 8) May 17, Upcoming community-wide plan-

ning meeting.

By design or coincidence, the eight neighborhood meetings came on the heels of the *Grapevine* stories which MCH and HCDC have expended too much time and effort to "make clarification" on.

In the meantime, the proposed King housing has started searching for a qualified contractor to build the 91-unit complex. During the same May 14 meeting, the administrative board approved an agenda in requesting qualifications for the general contractor selected to build the future senior housing. A series of 11 selection dates, starting June 1 and ending August 25, has been proposed. Interested parties are enjoined to submit qualification packages no later than 2 p.m. on July 7, 1997.

JKSH's policy-making board met for its first time May 28 and reviewed the project's various businesses, both past and future.

At this juncture, it's interesting to note that architects to design the Raymond Avenue housing were awarded the contract on Jan. 24, 1997 following a selection schedule of five dates that began Dec. 18, 1996, and ending on Jan. 24, 1997 when the Van Meter Williams, a Los Angeles-based firm was chosen from 11 Candidates.

### Valley Warned of Illegal Curb Painters

The San Francisco District Attorney's office is alerting the public to be aware of private organizations or individuals trying to collect money from residents after painting people's home addresses on the curbs in front of homes.

"This type of activity is not legal and it will not be tolerated," said District Attorney Terence Hallinan. "We are alerting the various police precincts to watch out for individuals performing this work and we hope that the public will assist."

If you are able to obtain the license plate of a vehicle of any illegal painters, please report them to the District Attorney's consumer hotline at 553-1814.

### Stadium and Mall Win for 49ers

Supporters of Propositions D and F claimed victory June 4, giving San Francisco its second sports stadium in two years.

Proposition D, the Football Stadium Bonds initiative and Proposition F, the Candlestick Point Land Use decision won by extremely narrow margins, with D getting 50.1 of the votes and F finished at 50.

Campaign workers braved a rainy afternoon June 3 at Bayshore Boulevard and Leland Avenue, urging local residents to vote yes on the two propositions.

## Community Input Will Decide Demolition of Geneva Towers

With asbestos removal slowly continuing at Geneva Towers, HUD recently began working with Imtech Communication, a Berkeley-based organization, to explore options for its eventual demolition.

Vacant shortly after its official closure on August 31, 1995, the two 20-story Geneva Towers will be removed either by wrecking ball or implosion.

"The first step is to let the community know they have a choice and what's involved in that choice," said Imtech's Kathleen Cha at a regular Visitacion Valley Task Force (VVTF) meeting May 24. She explained that asbestos removal had recently commenced at the Towers and would take about six months. Although a demolition company has not yet been contracted, Cha said the earliest projection for the removal of Geneva Towers would be in mid-December or early in 1998.

Problems yet to be resolved would include temporary relocation of surrounding residents during the destruction and post-demolition cleanup of the neighborhood.

Theresa Higgins of Imtech explained advantages of implosion over a wrecking ball, which she described as a long, tedious and evasive way of removing buildings that could take months. As opposed to what she said some people call a *headache ball*, Higgins found implosion, the planting and detonating of explosives at strategic points inside a building to make it cave inward, to be quicker, more immediate and less disruptive in the long run. She also said such a demolition, if selected, would be heavily insured to protect the site and surrounding properties.

Since Geneva Towers is in the vicinity of earthquake faults, extensive research by a team of experts would determine if the site, located at Sunnydale Avenue and Schwerin Street, is stable enough to withstand the impact of implosion.

Higgins also assured the task force that Valley residents will receive all facts concerning the demolition project before any decision is made.

#### TASK FORCE AMENDMENTS

VVTF members decided two pages of amendments to their recently approved bylaws will be voted on at a regular June 28 VVTF meeting. Sections to be included to a revised 10-

page document include:

\**Nomination of Alternate Members*: Membership will be open for alternate members that are waiting for positions to open for their designated geographical areas or the other categories. Alternate members can chair committees.

\**Nomination for Associate Membership*: Associate members do not have to work or reside in Visitacion Valley. Associate members can be committee members.

\**Expulsion*: (a) By the Task Force. A member may be removed from membership for any justifiable reason by resolution adopted by a two-thirds vote of all the Task Force members. Expulsion shall become effective immediately unless the Task Force shall, in the resolution, fix another time.

(b) Notice of Expulsion. Prior to expulsion of a member, the task force shall give such member at least 15 days notice prior there to and the reasons therefore. Such member shall have the opportunity to be heard, orally or in writing, not less than five days before the effective date of expulsion by the Task Force. Such hearing shall be held by the Task Force or a committee thereof authorized to hold such hearing.

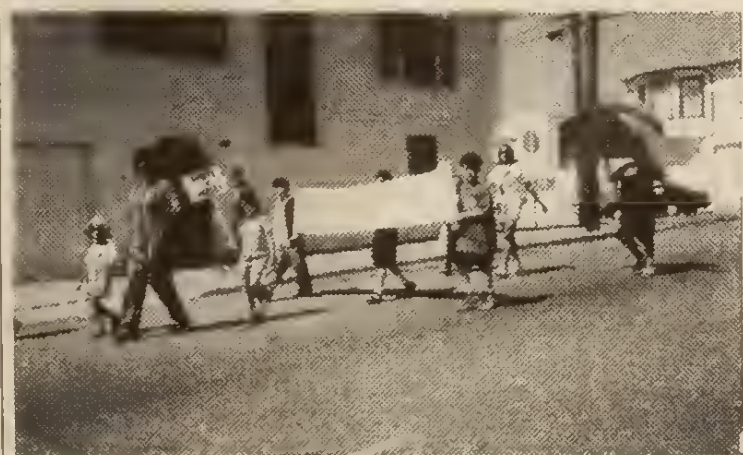
(9c) Attendance of Meetings. A member will be replaced if that member is absent for three consecutive monthly meetings without providing to the Executive Committee a valid written excuse for not attending. The vacant position shall be filled by the nomination process for the specific position. Notification of replacement shall be given to the member being replaced within 30 days.

\**Required Notice*: Any required notification may be given by any method reasonably calculated to provide actual notice. Any notice given by mail must be given by first class or registered mail sent to the last known address of the member shown on the Task Force's record.

\**Loss of Quorum*: The member present at a duly called held meeting at which a quorum is present may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough members to leave less than a quorum, if any action taken (other than adjournment) is approved by at least a majority of the members required to constitute a quorum.

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### A Marching, Dancing Street Festival



Ethnic dancing and a parade were just part of the festivities during the Visitacion Valley Street Festival on May 17. See Page 6 for more photos.

### Students Wearing Uniforms This Fall

By John R. Flores  
VVMS Principal

Parents and guardians of Visitacion Valley Middle School (VVMS) have met the requirements of the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) for a school uniform policy approved in April.

SFUSD's Board of Education believes that appropriate dress and grooming contribute to a productive learning environment. The Board expects students to give proper attention to personal cleanliness and to wear clothes suitable for school activities in which they participate.

Clothing acceptable for the 1997-98 academic school year include: \**Girl's Uniform*: black hold pleated skirt; black skirt; black jumper; black line line twill pants; white split-collar blouse; white polo shirt and a white turtle neck.

\**Boy's Uniform*: black line line twill pants; white button-down collar shirt; white polo shirt and a white turtle neck.

School sweaters will be Cardigan and V Neck sweaters in wine color. Jack-

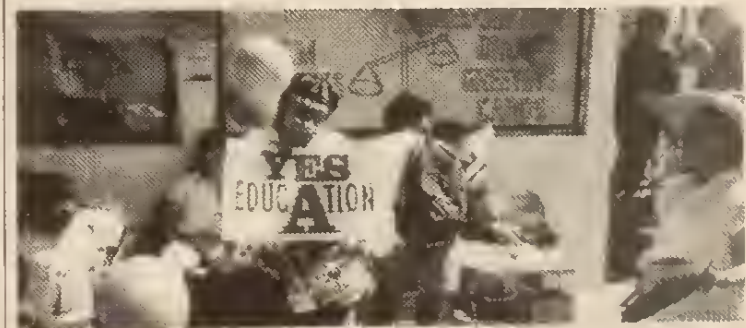
ets will not be allowed in classrooms unless there is no heat.

Parents, guardians and caregivers of VVMS students shall be informed about the school dress code and a student violating the dress code shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

According to the State Educational Code, a school principal shall ensure that resources are identified and available to assist economically disadvantaged students in obtaining uniforms. Parents or guardians may request exemption from the school uniform policy, but must pick up exemption paperwork from the Pupil Services Office.

Staff and parents have agreed to utilize profits from a school carnival to assist families that cannot afford to buy uniforms. AFDC criteria will determine student eligibility for financial assistance when purchasing uniforms. For those students meeting financial consideration criteria, VVMS will be responsible for recycling or exchanging uniforms as students grow out of them.

### Successful Campaign for Proposition A



Vigorous campaigning by Visitacion Valley residents helped pass Proposition A, a measure giving \$140 million for the acquisition, construction or reconstruction of both San Francisco public schools and City College. Proposition A had a winning percentage of more than 69 percent on June 3, exceeding the two-thirds majority needed to make it official.



Grapevine Mailbox



Response to Recent Stories on Proposed Raymond Housing

Dear Editor:  
This letter is written in response to two articles that appeared in the January and February issues of the Grapevine by Gerry Galvan which portrayed the senior housing development proposed on Raymond Avenue as a "done deal."

**HISTORY**  
John King Senior Center, Mercy Charities Housing California and Housing Conservation and Development Corporation came together last summer in response to a Request for Proposal from both the City and HUD for non-profit organizations to submit proposals for the development of senior housing.

As part of the Memorandum of Understanding developed between HUD and the City, there was a commitment by both the City and HUD to replace 400 units (300 family units and 100 senior units) of affordable housing that would be lost to the community and the City with the demolition of Geneva Towers. The request from HUD for proposals for senior housing was the opportunity to fulfill the senior portion of the commitment. The three sponsors began identifying potential sites (both vacant and under utilized land) with a willing property seller which would accommodate 100 units.

After an exhaustive search, it was determined that the School District was willing to sell three acres of the 12 acre Visitacion Valley Middle School site. The three sponsors (John King Senior Center, Mercy and HCDC) entered into an options to acquire the site and submitted proposals to the City and to HUD for the senior housing. At that time, no architects were on board and no plans had been drawn.

The sponsors received a "preliminary" funding commitment in November 1996. This set the stage for the beginning of the planning and development process. The first of seven meetings held to date were held on February 13 at Visitacion Valley Elementary School to announce the beginning of the planning and design process from both the senior housing and the family housing site development (each on separate planning tracks). The following meetings have been held to date on the senior housing development:

- \*February 13, 1997: Introduction to community and planning process;
- \*February 22, 1997: 1st community-wide planning meeting;
- \*March 13, 1997: Meeting with immediate neighbors;
- \*March 15, 1997: 2nd community-wide planning meeting;
- \*March 18, 1997: Meeting with ESL classes at Visitacion Valley Community Center;
- \*April 10, 1997: Meeting with immediate neighbors;
- \*April 19, 1997: 3rd community-wide planning meeting.

**UPCOMING MEETING**  
\*June 21, 1997: Final Design Presentation Meeting at 240 Leland Ave. from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Once the initial conceptual design (site plan) has been completed, the sponsors will have to apply to the City for several planning approvals. There are many steps in that process in which the City will ask for the community's input. It is only after the land use approvals are completed and the development is ready to go into construction that the sponsors will receive a final commitment from HUD for the construction and the permanent financing. There is a tremendous amount of work yet to be completed and many

Witness Sought in Bayshore Fatality

By Gerry L. Galvan  
More than a month after a fatal accident took the life of an elderly woman at the corner of Leland Avenue and Bayshore Boulevard, police are still refusing to give adequate information on the case.

An officer who investigated the April 30 fatality didn't go beyond saying that the victim was identified as 87-year-old Leonacia Tactay, who was obviously trying to cross Bayshore near the corner by a video store when a truck turning right from Leland Avenue struck her down. Sgt. Valeroe Matthews, the police officer looking into the case, told the *Grapevine* that no witness has yet come forward.

In an attempt to track down the family of Mrs. Tactay, the *Grapevine* scanned the local telephone book and came to the listings of three Tactays. Bingo! The very first and only one chosen was it. A lady who returned my call left on her machine said the deceased was her mother-in-law. She identified herself as Mila Tactay and was eager to return my call, perhaps thinking I was a witness to the tragedy and could be of help to her family in knowing what had really happened. Mila

approvals required before the senior housing development can be called a "done deal."

In addition, Early Years Academy (child care facility) continues to occupy the site at 500 Raymond Avenue. Early Years Academy has been serving Visitacion Valley since 1981. The facility is run by Dr. Betty Hartman. We as sponsors will be working closely with Dr. Hartman to ensure that the childcare program will be continued in the neighborhood.

The community input received to date has provided a framework for the development of senior housing. The concerns of immediate neighbors and the community at large are providing the basis for design. We as sponsors are grateful for the participation of community residents and strongly encourage their continued participation in the community design process.

Sincerely,  
John King Senior Center  
Mercy Housing  
Housing Conservation and Development Corp.

Quiz of the Week

Dear Editor:  
Is this a *soap opera*, *comedy of errors*, or San Francisco politics?  
Pieces of the puzzle: a three million dollar expense account; Americana; patriotism; holier than thou; political manipulation; blackmail; extortion; political use of government employees; speeches by big name stars; half-truths; endorse-or-else threats; free food; rallies; banquets; booze; sexual entertainment; kick-offs; parties; paid consultants; TV commercials; TV infomercials; radio spots; mailers; posters; politicians; job pay-offs; accusation of racial discrimination; press releases; public land give-aways; character assassination; personal attacks; really creative bookkeeping; non-supporters becoming the unemployed; promises; promises; promises; contractual carrots; daily new deals; hype; glitter; and glitz.

What will be used next to make this mega-hit? Gambling; organized crime; bid fixing; bond scams; redevelopment scams; bogus compliance verification; wire taps; not verifiable cost over-runs; reinvention of word definitions; bodies floating in the Bay; espionage; money laundering; a secret bidding process; plenty of blank checks; floating bonds; and magical and mystical sources of revenue?

The scariest part of this story is the rumor that it is controlled by a band of very mean-spirited and vindictive gnomes and bogey men. Beware to all that cross their path or question their authority. It is even rumored that people speak in whispers when talking about the antics of these entities.

Greed, arrogance, and ego are the driving forces of many evil-doers. Quick! Turn on the light. I even scared myself.

The rest of the country and the world has to be amused by all of this. For now, let's call it *Ball-Gate* or the *Empire's New Clothes*.

Thank you for your time,  
Ralph Oroquita

clamped up on learning I was a reporter trying to get to the bottom of the story myself.

Such is a sad state of affairs in our present society. Crimes or cases of accidental origin are not solved because witnesses refuse to come out and tell the truth. Seldom would offenders surface and volunteer information inimical to their personal interests.

**GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS**

Bill Carlin is a remarkable resident in these parts of the City. He's an outstanding member of many civic and professional organizations. His mettle as parliamentarian and knowledgeable leader have been demonstrated at both the Friends of McLaren Park and the Visitacion Valley Task Force (VVTF).

During a most recent meeting of the Friends of McLaren Park, Bill was reminded of the May 24 VVTF meeting. "I will not be at that meeting," he said.

Why not? Because VVTF membership is currently based on residential geographical location. To live outside of the seven designated districts is to cut access to task force membership. **FIZZLED PLANS**

Plans for dozens of 62-years-and-old-

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A Stadium/Mall Alternative for San Francisco

Dear Editor:  
The City (Redevelopment Agency) should buy all the lots along the Third Street Corridor in the Bayview district; this purchase would now be public land. Use further property tax increment funds for this purchase. Develop 200 acres of street frontage lots along both sides of Third Street.

The City would make \$100 million in loans to the existing merchants and businesses, lending one dollar for every four that these merchants and businesses would reinvest in new buildings and remodeling. The \$100 million in loans would be paid back by future sales tax.

Lease the Third Street frontage back to the merchants and businesses rent free for the next 30 years. and businesses rent free for the next 30 years.

Provide enough police/fire protection, street cleaning and street lighting to make it the safest and cleanest community in San Francisco.

Remove buildings that have been vacant for more than three years and use the lots for extra parking. The excess vacant property not needed for parking lots would be developed by a lottery system. Two of the requirements would be that the person must be at least 18 years old and a resident of Bayview/Hunters Point for at least five years.

Third Street is already scheduled for redevelopment to accommodate a light rail system--design for it now.

More than 10,000 jobs, a world class shopping/business district, and a development that all San Franciscans can use and enjoy.

Instead of San Francisco making corporate welfare an art form, help the people that need it most. Let's do it right.

Thank you for your time,  
Ralph Oroquita

Amendment at June Task Force Meeting

Editor:  
Amendments to recently adopted bylaws, presented at the May meeting of the Visitacion Valley Task Force, will be presented and should be adopted at the next meeting on June 28. Officers should also be elected at the June meeting so they can start their terms on July 1, 1997.

The success of the Task Force will depend on the time and labor donated by its officers. The time commitment and responsibilities will be increasing as more issues will be presented to the Task Force. Time allotted for meetings will increase or meetings will have to increase in frequency to accommodate and show respect to the speakers.

It was recommended by a majority of members at the May meeting that two years should be the term limit for officers and this limit should also be determined at the June meeting.

Thank you for your time,  
Ralph Oroquita



Attempting to get to the other side of Bayshore Boulevard, an elderly woman died upon impact on April 30 after being run over by a large bottled water truck that had just made a right turn from Leland Avenue onto the busy thoroughfare. Fast-moving traffic has long been a problem for pedestrians crossing this wide six-lane avenue adjacent to Highway 101.

Gerry L. Galvan

Neighborhood Recycling and Economics

By David Assmann  
S.F. Recycling Program

It's Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. Your phone rings and you answer. The person at the other end says, "Hi, I'm calling from the San Francisco Recycling Program. We're calling you tonight to talk about recycling and to tell you about the Spring Recycling Challenge."

If you live in Bayview/Hunters Point, Bernal Heights, the Mission, Portola, Potrero Hill or Visitacion Valley, you may very well receive such a call this spring. Fifteen thousand households are being called as part of the Recycling Program's spring outreach campaign. The callers are all neighborhood youth, and they're soliciting your feedback on recycling, as well as telling you about how you can participate in the suing recycling challenge to raise money for neighborhood youth programs.

The San Francisco Recycling Program will give \$10,000 to summer youth programs in these neighborhoods if recycling goes up by 10 percent during the months of April, May and June. The grants can be used for summer recreation programs, arts and crafts, sports and job training programs.

I want to share with you today some of the feedback we've already received in this campaign. Here are the answers to some of the commonly asked questions. First of all, you don't have to use a blue bin to recycle. You can put your recyclables out in paper bags, or you can tie paper up with string and put it out on the curb. If you want a blue bin, however, and yours has been stolen (or you didn't get one), call 330-CURB and you'll receive a replacement bin free of charge.

The following items are recyclable in the San Francisco Curbside and Apartment Recycling Program: junk mail, cardboard boxes, office paper, newspapers, cereal and other dry food boxes, phone books, magazines and catalogs, paper bags, tin/steel cans, aluminum cans and foil, glass jars and bottles, and #1 and #2 plastic bottles.

Plastic bags, Styrofoam and other forms of plastic are *not* recyclable. Do not put your recyclables out in plastic bags. We can't recycle other kinds of plastics because there is currently no market for most kinds of plastic, and we don't collect anything that cannot be readily recycled.

The cost to run San Francisco's recycling program is about \$10.1 million. Revenue from the sale of recyclables in 1996 amounted to about \$3.3 mil-

lion, so the net cost for the program last year was \$6.8 million. Since the program collected 55,760 tons of recyclables in 1996, the cost for collecting each ton of recyclables works out to \$123 per ton. This is significantly less expensive than garbage collection, which costs an average of about \$150 per ton.

This doesn't take into consideration any of the environmental or other benefits of recycling. Recycling one ton of paper, for example, will save up to 24 trees (the widely quoted figure of 17 trees is actually an underestimation), 4,100 kilowatt hours of energy, 7,000 gallons of water and 3.3 cubic yards of landfill space. Recycling also creates nine times as many jobs as land-filling garbage.

So what happens to the revenue collected from the sale of recyclables from San Francisco's curbside program? The first \$2.8 million dollars goes back to help cover program costs. Any revenue above this figure (which is calculated quarterly) is rebated back on garbage bills.

You may have noticed that your rebate goes up and down, and doesn't appear to reflect the amount of recycling in the City. That's because market prices of recyclables fluctuate widely over time. In 1995, when the curbside recycling program collected a total of 47,000 tons of recyclables, revenue from the sale of recyclables was \$5.7 million. Last year, even though we increased the volume of recyclables by almost 9,000 tons, revenue amounted to only \$3 million. That's why recycling rebates were high in 1995 and low in 1996 (the value of recyclables has been even lower in 1997 so far).

So why do prices fluctuate so widely? Mostly because supply and demand are not evenly matched. When demand for recyclables is low, prices go down (this can happen when collection exceeds capacity of manufacturing facilities). When prices go down, collection can decrease, leading to another increase in prices.

So what can residents do to help? First of all, keep recycling, even when rebates are low. While we can't control markets, participation helps to increase the rebate. It is still economically more beneficial for you to recycle, and increasing the volume of garbage will increase your costs over the long run. Secondly, request and buy products made with recycled content.

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## Vis Valley Elementary... What a Year it Was!



## An Open Government Issue Support for Ordinance Requiring the Public To Know of Certain City-Funded Projects

By Leland Y. Yee, Ph.D.  
S.F. Board of Supervisors

Section 15.7 of the Administrative Code required new or relocated mental health and substance abuse service facilities to be approved either by the Health Commission, following a review by an appropriate advisory board, or the City Planning Commission.

This site approval process was different from the approval process for any other type of land use decision in that uses that were otherwise allowed by right, and therefore not subject to public notice and public hearings, were required to go through a public notification and hearing process.

Because it singled out the mentally ill and substance abusers for special, extraordinary requirements, it has been considered discriminatory by mental health advocates, the Mental Health Advisory Board, the Health Commission, and the Health Department. In June 1995, the Health Commission passed a resolution urging the Board of Supervisors to repeal Section 15.7. The Board of Supervisors voted unanimously at its April 7 meeting to support the repeal.

### POSITION

I support the repeal of Section 15.7. No program should undergo a special approval process solely because it serves mental health or substance abuse clients.

At the same time, I feel strongly that the public should be able to air issues and concerns when a project is proposed to be located in a particular neighborhood. Residents should not just be informed about such a move. They should also have the opportunity for meaningful dialogue with the ap-

propriate Department staff at a time when such input may be incorporated into department plans, as well as the chance to bring their concerns to their elected representatives.

To ensure this dialogue, I am preparing an alternative process that serves the same purpose as Section 15.7 of public input, but without the discriminatory element.

The legislation that I have proposed establishes a public notification and review process for new or relocated City funding facilities. Rather than singling out mental health and substance abuse treatment facilities, as Section 15.7 does, the process would be broadened to apply to all new or relocated programs that meet certain criteria.

The ordinance requires that the notice be posted 15 days prior to filing an application for a Planning Department permit. During this time frame, people can ask questions of or raise concerns to the project sponsor, the Planning Department or the Planning Commission. If concerns persist, a member of the public can request that the Planning Commission exercise its discretionary review powers over a specific application. Decisions rendered from this review can be appealed to the Board of Supervisors.

The legislation is crafted to have the pre-notification requirement apply only to those City-funded projects that have a significant impact on a neighborhood. Further, it is intended to allow for community input but not create a process that is so cumbersome as to be impediment to the establishment of new programs.

### CONCLUSION

We must have adequate and accessi-

ble facilities for mental health and substance abuse individuals. The City must be allowed to establish service programs in the best interest of all San Franciscans. The entire community is well served when individuals receive needed assistance rather than wasting their potential.

What is necessary is an open dialogue that allows for careful evaluation and striking a balance between the need for such assistance programs and allowing neighborhoods a voice in their placement. The process I am proposing will allow for a more expansive dialogue. It is my goal on the Board of Supervisors to facilitate this dialogue.

The legislation is currently in draft format, and I am seeking comments, response, and suggested clarifications. The draft ordinance will be the subject of a hearing at the Board of Supervisors' Housing and Neighborhood Services Committee.

## Compost Classes and Worm Bins at SLUG

Learn to make and use compost when you visit the SLUG office at 2088 Oakdale Ave. and purchase a bargain worm bin on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 12 noon while the supply lasts.

Discover how to convert fruit and vegetable waste into a nutrient-rich fertilizer for your house and garden plants. Ideal for apartment dwellers with limited space, bins are just \$10 and include a 10 percent discount coupon for red worms. Buyers must be San Francisco residents.

Call 285-7584 for further information.

## Valley's Beacon Center Looking Forward To an Exciting Summer of Activity

Visitation Valley Community Beacon is working hard planning for a wide array of high quality programs to offer youth this summer.

Housed at Visitation Valley Middle School and other community sites, the Beacon is dedicated to providing day and evening programs for youth and adults, health and social support services along with meeting rooms and program facilities for community use.

Programs and activities accessible

this summer and beginning at 12:30 p.m. include: swimming; job preparedness; arts and crafts; youth leadership; tutoring; ESL classes; child watch; weekly field trips; trips to Giants games; and sports, including baseball, basketball, flag football, volleyball, street hockey and martial arts.

Lunch will be provided for all youth through the Mayor's Summer Lunch Program. Call 452-4907 for further information.

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DID YOU MISS THE FIRST COMMUNITY FORUM ON  
THE IMPORTANCE OF RESPECT?

Then, ATTEND The SECOND!

Saturday June 28, 1:00 - 3:30\*  
Visitation Valley Community Center  
60 Raymond Avenue

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The Steps to  
Building UNITY  
In Our Community!

We're On the First Step... Let's Move Up!

\*The VV Task Force meets from 10:30 - 12:00  
ALL Community Members are welcome to  
Attend both meetings. At 12 noon bring a  
lunch and if you wish something to share.  
Beverages and desserts will be provided.

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## State Refunds for Elderly and Disabled

An estimated 160,000 elderly and disabled homeowners and renters are eligible for refunds through the annual Homeowner and Renter Assistance Program that began May 15 and runs through Sept. 1, 1997, according to the Franchise Tax Board (FTB).

To qualify, claimants must be 62 years old, or be blind or totally disabled as of Dec. 31, 1996. Claimants must also have \$13,200 or less in total household income in 1996. Homeowners can

receive from 4 to 96 percent of the property tax they paid on the first \$34,000 assessed value of their home. Renters can receive assistance ranging from \$10 to \$240.

FTB advises claimants who have filed in the past two years to wait until they receive their labeled forms before filing. The state mailed forms in mid-May. Refund checks will be mailed once the 1997/98 state budget is passed. Last year, 156,000 individuals claimed assistance totaling more than \$15 million. The average refund check was \$93.

To make filing easier, hundreds of volunteer assistance sites are available throughout the state to explain qualifying requirements and help with preparing the forms. Call the nearest Senior Information and Referral Center for the location and hours of the nearest site. For recorded answers to questions about Homeowner and Renter Assistance, call 1-800-338-0505.

## Bayshore Fatality

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er citizens to picket a May 7 session of the Commission on Aging (COA) fized when COA executive director David Ishida assured LaVergne Keppard, program director at the John King Senior Center (JKSC), the Commission's intent to implement the 62 Years and Older Act. It appears that COA has continually denied rides on agency vehicles to senior citizens who appear to be able to stand up and walk by themselves. As was related by Keppard, even an 88-year-old woman or a 95-year-old JKSC client have been denied rides on COA vans because they are still mobile. Aren't we missing something here?

## Crossword Solution

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## City's 49th Annual Juneteenth Festival Coming June 14-15

San Francisco's 49th annual Juneteenth Festival will take place the weekend of June 14-15 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Fillmore Street between Geary and Turk Streets. There will be a Juneteenth gospel concert June 14 at the Ben Franklin Middle School Auditorium, Geary Boulevard at Scott Street, from 5 to 11 p.m. Call 487-1848 for more information.

## Valley Resident Celebrates 96th Birthday at St. James

By Gerry L. Galvan

Once written off as a soon-to-die congregation, St. James Presbyterian Church at 240 Leland Ave. has been very much alive and kicking. The Church has very vibrant leadership and members who look forward to a busy 1997 summer schedule.

Topping a list of recent activities was a May 11 Mother's Day celebration where 96-year Georgina de Pruda led her motherhood peers in acknowledging cheers and kudos from those who had come to pay the "gentle pillar of the family" their respect and appreciation. Church poet Rose Gagliardo wrote a touching poem which the liturgist for that Sunday's service read from the pulpit. A large group of Sunday school children played a skit written and directed by their teacher, Joy Lacanienta who recently graduated Suma Cum Laude from S.F. State University.

Following is a rundown of other goings-on at St. James:

\*All Fridays in June from 7 to 10 p.m. have been reserved to host a customary Cottage Home Bible Study. This study group, led by the Pastor, had been meeting in various neighborhood homes for years no, but the Church location is now available on Fridays if and when the need arises.

\*June 21 originally was slated as the ninth and supposedly last neighborhood workshop of Mercy Charities Housing California. Communication errors resulted in a scheduling conflict with the Women of Saint James' day-long bazaar, an almost yearly fundraising activity. (At this writing, it appears the bazaar will be given preference, with Mercy Charities able to choose another Saturday.)

Just like in the past, the bazaar will feature the serving of drinks, used and unused clothes for men, women and children, and a variety of home furnishings, kitchen tools and utensils, picture frames, and even jewelry--all at bazaar prices. Children and adults will again be given a special treat: a humorous story in pantomime by Balhino Esplana, Jr., the Church comic.

\*With the theme: Awareness of Our



Georgina de Pruda (left, foreground) celebrated her 96th birthday during a Mother's Day luncheon at St. James.



Joy Lacanienta, holding the microphone for her nephew, Josh, directed the children in a Mother's Day skit.

Gerry L. Galvan

Potential to Spread Community Friendship and Concern, St. James will hold its community picnic at Coyote Point on July 12. With an invitation extended by the Pastor to the entire Valley, neighborhood participation is encouraged.

\*Scheduled for July 14-20, a Daily Vacation Bible School is an event St. James youngsters have been waiting for. Here's where the children get to know the basics in the Word of God and God Himself. Led by the Pastor, the same dedicated staff will be on hand to make this mid-summer event their experience of a lifetime.

\*On July 20, the St. James social

hall will host a two-hour Living Trust workshop. Conducted by the American Association of Independent Paralegals (AAIP), the seminar will help local residents realize the importance of a living trust. "It will be competitive in price and content," said AAIP seminar planner Bob Burd. Hosted and coordinated by the Men of Saint James, original treasurer Ray Esplana expressed sentiment that the workshop could serve to awaken many people to the value of a living trust. An owner of a living trust himself, Esplana said, "A living trust saves one's heirs and other beneficiaries any and all probate problems."

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# Faces and Places at the Visitacion Valley Street Festival



*Thanks to all who participated in this year's festivities.*

## Campaign Educates Consumers About Lead

The S.F. Department of Public Health's Childhood Lead Prevention Program has launched a campaign to educate consumers about lead and to prevent childhood lead poisoning in the City.

Since the overwhelming majority of homes in San Francisco were built prior to 1978 when lead paint was still in use, this is an issue that affects most City residents.

The City's campaign includes street signs, television commercials, and cou-

pons in a Val Pak coupon mailing.

### WHO GETS LEAD POISONING?

Although anyone exposed to lead can be poisoned by it, children, pregnant women, and contractors are the people most at risk to get lead poisoning. Lead poisoning causes learning disabilities, and growth and hearing problems in children. In adults lead poisoning can cause everything from headaches to reproductive damage.

"For the past four years, the Department of Public Health has focused its

efforts on getting children tested for lead," said Karen Cohn, program director of the Childhood Lead Prevention Program. "Now we're taking a step back to address a couple of major sources to lead poisoning—namely, home repairs that are not done with lead hazards in mind or poorly maintained properties that pose a threat to residents. The goal of this campaign, ultimately, is to decrease the cases of lead poisoning in Visitacion Valley."

### WHEN IS LEAD DANGEROUS?

Although most Visitacion Valley

homes contain lead paint, the paint isn't necessarily a hazard if it's in good condition. Only paint that is chipped, damaged, or sanded or scraped is dangerous because that's when lead dust is created. The Childhood Lead Prevention Program says that the most common cases of lead poisoning that they see are usually caused by unsafe practices used in home renovation projects and homes in disrepair.

That's why the Program recommends that people use lead-safe practices when painting or doing other home re-

pairs that might damage lead paint. Safe practices include putting a plastic tarp down to catch paint chips and dust as one works, and wetting paint with a spray bottle before scraping or sanding.

### FIND OUT MORE

To get information on how to protect yourself and your family from lead or to learn more about lead-safe repair practices, call the Childhood Lead Prevention Program at 554-8930. For a list of contractors certified to work with lead, call 1-800-597-LEAD.





Match quotes to speakers.

1. "In life, as in a football game, the principle to follow is hit the line hard."

2. "Comedy is tragedy--plus time."

3. "A committee is a group that keeps minutes and loses hours."

4. "The way I see it, if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain."

5. "A small town is a place where there's no place to go where you shouldn't."

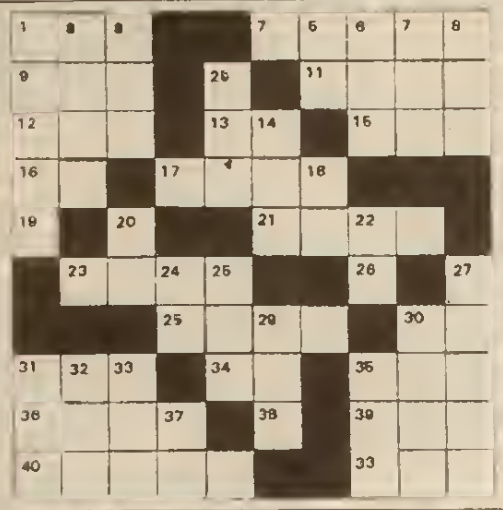
6. "Few things are more satisfying than seeing your children have teenagers of their own."

7. "It's easy to identify people who can't count to ten. They're in front of you in the supermarket express lane."
8. "The surest way to be late is to have plenty of time."
9. "Middle age is when your broad mind and narrow waist begin to change places."
- A. Leo Kennedy  
B. Burt Bacharach  
C. Theodore Roosevelt  
D. June Henderson  
E. E. Joseph Cossman  
F. Dolly Parton  
G. Milton Berle  
H. Doug Larson  
I. Carol Burnett

Answers: 1-C, 2-I, 3-G, 4-F, 5-B, 6-H, 7-D, 8-A, 9-E.

Grapevine Crossword

- ACROSS
1. Snake  
4. Guide  
9. Sprint  
11. Wisdom  
12. Painting  
13. Present  
15. Angry  
16. Be  
17. Pierce  
19. Judah line  
21. Memo  
23. Um  
26. 4th vowel  
28. Trees  
30. Rhode Island  
31. Owne  
34. Do-Re-Mi  
35. Free  
36. Space  
38. North  
40. Balance  
41. Being Victory
- DOWN
1. Mind  
2. Belonging to us  
3. Insect  
5. Thallium  
6. End of month  
7. Price average  
8. Color  
10. Cap  
14. Bronze  
18. Branch office  
20. California  
22. For  
24. Southeast  
26. Dwarf  
27. Dodger's Nomo  
29. Male  
30. Chance  
31. Owne  
32. Bow  
33. Ocean  
35. Grind  
37. Alabama



This Month in S.F. History

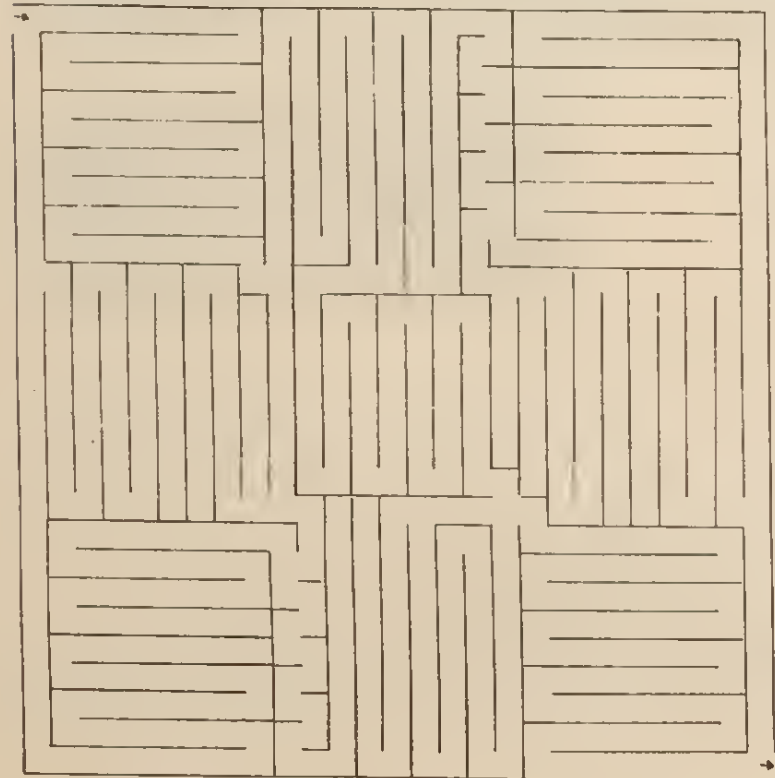
- JUNE
- 1: In 1850, the San Francisco Herald, started by Foy, Nugent & Co. became the City's second successful daily newspaper, entering the competition with the already established Alta California. In 1851, San Francisco's first organized transit service was established with horse-drawn omnibusses operating from the California Exchange to Mission Dolores. In 1878, American Speaking Telephone Company issued the City's first telephone books.
- 2: In 1873, construction commenced on Nob Hill for the Clay St. Railroad, the world's first cable railroad.
- 3: In 1913, Mayor James Rolph operated the last horse-drawn streetcar up Market St. from the Ferry Building to 8th St. In 1983, cable car service was restored after a 20-month shutdown for reconstruction.
- 4: In 1932, Sigmund Stern Grove, adjacent to the City's Parkside district, was officially dedicated.
- 5: In 1875, the Pacific Stock Exchange first opened.
- 7: In 1860, contractors began laying the

- first streetcar tracks on Market St.
- 14: In 1850, a defective chimney at the Sacramento Bakery started an 8 a.m. fire which burned out of control and caused \$5 million in damages.
- 15: In 1857, San Francisco Water Works, the City's first water company, was established.
- 22: In 1851, another fire started at 11 a.m. in a residence at Pacific Ave. and Powell St., causing \$3 million in damages.
- 23: In 1923, Lt. Russell Maughan landed his plane at Crissy Field in the Presidio, completing the nation's first continental dawn-to-dusk flight.
- 26: In 1945, the two month-long United Nations Conference at the City's Civic Center came to an end.
- 29: In 1776, a mass celebrating the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul was said by Father Francisco Palou on the site of the future Misison Dolores. Father Palou traveled up the peninsula with a large group of settlers and was awaiting the Spanish supply ship San Carlos, traveling northward with provisions for the newly designated Presidio.

FIVE YEARS AGO IN THE GRAPEVINE

- JUNE 1992
- \*Mrs. Darleen Wong of Visitacion Valley Elementary School (VVES) was awarded the distinction of *Elementary School Teacher of the Year* by the S.F. State University Association.
- \*VVES also held a multicultural assembly May 5 featuring dancers and bilingual performances.
- \*Neighbors complained that a three-acre lot on Britton Street, former location of the Gatti Nursery, had turned into a dumping ground.
- \*There was plenty of fun on May 16 at the 8th Annual Visitacion Valley Arts Festival and Street Fair.

Minute Maze



Grapevine Puzzler

Famous Names in Journalism

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Match clues to their answers.

- 1965
1. As of August 31, it was now a crime to burn this.
2. On September 13, we first heard "Land spreadin' out so far and wide, keep Manhattan, just give me that countryside."
3. And on September 17, everyone laughed at Stalag 13 antics.
4. And the following night, would you believe the first use of a shoe phone?
5. They won the World Series this year.
6. And they missed being baseball's champs by one game.
7. Best Picture at the 1965 Academy Awards.
8. And she was voted Best Actress.
9. Summer saw this popular item

- bouncing in.
10. On September 9, President Johnson signed a bill establishing this department.
11. On October 28, this popular piece of construction was completed in St. Louis.
12. On October 4, he became the first pontiff to visit the Western Hemisphere.
13. After the 1965 baseball season, they were no more.
14. This was a popular number, thanks to a popular secret agent.
15. His first retirement came after a long commercial run.
16. This important educational tool got its start on June 30.
17. On March 23, the first of several flights in this part of the space program.
18. On March 7, attention was brought to this town focusing on civil rights.
- A. Minnesota Twins  
B. My Fair Lady  
C. Gateway Arch  
D. Los Angeles Dodgers  
E. Pope Paul VI

- F. Draft card  
G. Milwaukee Braves  
H. Selma, Alabama  
I. Speedy Alka-Seltzer  
J. Hogan's Heroes  
K. Head Start Program  
L. Julie Andrews  
M. Green Acres  
N. Super Ball  
O. Gemini  
P. Get Smart  
Q. 007  
R. HUD

Answers: 1-F, 2-M, 3-J, 4-P, 5-D, 6-A, 7-B, 8-L, 9-N, 10-R, 11-C, 12-E, 13-G, 14-Q, 15-I, 16-K, 17-O, 18-J.

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Famous Birthdays

- JUNE
- 1: Pat Boone (1934); Morgan Freeman (1937); Judy Garland (1922); Andy Griffith (1926); Lisa Hartman (1956); Sessue Hayakawa (1886); Hattie McDaniel (1895); Marilyn Monroe (1926); Robert Newton (1905); Lorna Patterson (1957); Brigham Young (1801)
- 2: Chuck Barris (1929); Dianne Canova (1953); Olympia Dukakis (1931); Charles Haid (1944); Thomas Hardy (1840); Hedda Hopper (1890); Sally Kellerman (1936); Stacy Keach (1941); Barry Levinson (1932); Lex Luger (1958); Jerry Mathers (1948); Audie Murphy (1924); Milo O'Shea (1926); Mike Todd (1907); Charlie Watts (1941); Johnny Weissmuller (1904)
- 3: Josephine Baker (1906); Ellen Corby (1913); Tony Curtis (1925); Jefferson Davis (1808); Colleen Dewhurst (1926); Alan Edwards (1900); Allen Ginsberg (1921); Paulette Goddard (1911); Leo Gorcey (1915); Ian Hunter (1946); Curtis Mayfield (1942); Dorothy Stone (1905); Michael Whalen (1902)
- 4: Gene Barry (1922); John Barrymore, Jr. (1932); Bruce Dern (1936); Robert Merrill (1919); Michelle Phillips (1944); Rosalind Russell (1911); Parker Stevenson (1952); Eddie Velez (1958); Dennis Weaver (1924); Dr. Ruth Westheimer (1928)
- 5: Laurie Anderson (1947); William Boyd (1898); Katherine Helmund (1933); Kenny G. (1956); Robert Lansing (1928); Marky Mark (1971); Bill Moyers (1934); Socrates (470 BC)
- 6: Sandra Bernhard (1955); Gary "U.S." Bonds (1939); Bjorn Borg (1956); Dana Carvey (1955); David
- Dukes (1945); Robert Englund (1948); Nathan Hale (1755); Amanda Pays (1959)
- 7: Rocky Graziano (1922); Vince Edwards (1928); Tom Jones (1940); Muhammad (570); Liam Neeson (1953); Ken Osmond (1943); Prince (1958); Jessica Tandy (1909)
- 8: Barbara Bush (1925); James Darren (1936); Don Grady (1944); George Kirby (1923); Robert Preston (1918); Joan Rivers (1933); Boz Scaggs (1944); Jerry Stiller (1929); Frank Lloyd Wright (1869); Keenen Ivory Wayans (1958)
- 9: Johnny Ace (1929); Bob Cummings (1910); Johnny Depp (1963); Nelson Eddy (1901); Michael J. Fox (1961); Jon Lord (1941); Jackie Mason (1934); Cole Porter (1893); Dick Vitale (1940)
- 10: F. Lee Bailey (1933); Saul Bellow (1915); Judy Garland (1922); Prince Phillip (1921)
- 11: Adrienne Barbeau (1945); Chad Everett (1936); Vince Lombardi (1913); Joe Montana (1956); Richard Strauss (1864); Richard Todd (1919); Gene Wilder (1935)
- 12: Marv Albert (1943); Irwin Allen (1916); Samuel Arkoff (1918); George Bush (1924); Timothy Busfield (1957); Chic Corea (1941); Vic Damone (1928); Russell Hayden (1912); Priscilla Lane (1917); Jim Nabors (1932)
- 13: Tim Allen (1953); Christo (1935); Ralph Edwards (1913); Bobby Freeman (1940); Ben Johnson (1918); Paul Lynde (1926); Basil Rathbone (1892); Ally Sheedy (1962); Richard Thomas (1951)
- 14: Jack Bannon (1940); Gene Barry (1919); Marla Gibbs (1946);
- Boy George (1961); Burl Ives (1909); Gil Lamb (1906); Dorothy McGuire (1919); Pierre Salinger (1925); Harriet Beecher Stowe (1911); Donald Trump (1946)
- 15: Dusty Baker (1949); Ethel Barrymore (1879); Jim Belushi (1954); Mario Cuomo (1932); Julie Hagerty (1955); Neil Patrick Harris (1973); Noddy Holder (1950); Helen Hunt (1963); Waylon Jennings (1937); Harry Langdon (1884); Jim Varney (1949)
- 16: Jack Albertson (1910); Crash Craddock (1940); Roberto Duran (1951); Katharine Graham (1917); Stan Laurel (1890); Joan Van Ark (1943)
- 17: Ralph Bellamy (1904); John Herney (1917); Peter Lupus (1937); Barry Manilow (1946); Dean Martin (1917); Grant Mitchell (1875); Joe Piscopo (1951); Igor Stravinsky (1882)
- 18: Sammy Cahn (1913); Ian Carmichael (1920); Bud Collyer (1908); Roger Ebert (1942); Keye Luke (1904); E.G. Marshall (1910); Paul McCartney (1942); Isabella Rossellini (1952)
- 19: Paula Abdul (1962); Pat Buttram (1917); Lou Gehrig (1903); Moe Howard (1897); Louis Jourdan (1920); Guy Lombardo (1902); Mildred Natwick (1908); Kathleen Turner (1954)
- 20: Danny Aiello (1933); Chet Atkins (1924); Olympia Dukakis (1931); Errol Flynn (1909); John Goodman (1953); Martin Landau (1934); Cyndi Lauper (1953); Anne Murray (1945); Lionel Richie (1950); Brian Wilson (1942)
- 21: Meredith Baxter (1947); Ray Davies (1944); Ron Ely (1938); Michael Gross (1947); Judy Holliday (1921); Bernie Kopell (1933); Nils Lofgren (1951); Jane
- Russell (1921); Maureen Stapleton (1925)
- 22: Peter Asher (1944); Bill Blass (1922); Ed Bradley (1941); Dianne Feinstein (1933); Kris Kristofferson (1936); Mary Livingston (1908); Freddie Prinze (1954); Todd Rundgren (1948); Meryl Streep (1949); Lindsay Wagner (1949); Ralph Waite (1929); Billy Wilder (1906)
- 23: June Carter Cash (1929); James Levine (1940); Wilma Rudolph (1940)
- 24: Nancy Allen (1949); Jeff Beck (1944); Jack Carter (1923); Billy Casper (1931); Jack Dempsey (1895); Phyllis George (1949); Michelle Lee (1942); Al Molinaro (1919)
- 25: June Lockhart (1925); George Michael (1963); Walter Payton (1954); Carly Simon (1945); Jimmie Walker (1948)
- 26: Pearl Buck (1892); Chris Isaak (1956); Peter Lorre (1904); George Michael (1963); Eleanor Parker (1922)
- 27: Bruce Babbitt (1938); Julia Duffy (1951); Helen Keller (1880); Bob "Captain Kangaroo" Keeshan (1927); H. Ross Perot (1930)
- 28: Kathy Bates (1948); Mel Brooks (1926); John Cusack (1966); Bruce Dawson (1946); Lester Flatt (1914); Mary Stuart Masterson (1966); Polly Moran (1883); Pat Morita (1932); Gilda Radner (1946); Lorenzo Tucker (1907)
- 29: Gary Busey (1944); Joan Davis (1907); Elizabeth Dole (1936); Robert Evans (1930); Richard Lewis (1947); Slim Pickens (1919); Ruth Warrick (1915)
- 30: Lena Horne (1918); Tony Musante (1936); Buddy Rich (1917); Mike Tyson (1966)



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 1:00pm VVCC Bingo <i>June is National Dairy Month</i>	2 11:30am VVCC Seniors Shopping Day	3 12:30pm VVCC Senior Bingo	4	5 11:00am VVCC Senior Council Meeting 7:00pm ROSES meeting	6 12:00pm VVCC Seniors - Painting Classes <i>National Fish Day</i>	7
8	9 11:30am VVCC Seniors Shopping Day	10 12:30pm VVCC Senior Bingo 4:30pm Sunnydale Tenants Meet 7:00pm El Dorado N.B.C. Meeting	11 6:00pm Executive Park Advisory Committee	12	13 12:00pm VVCC Seniors - Painting Classes	14 <i>Flag Day</i>
15  Father's Day	16 11:30am VVCC Seniors Shopping Day	17 12:30pm VVCC Senior Bingo 3:30pm Vis Valley Neighborhood Collaborative meets	18	19 3:00pm Beacon Council meets at VVMS 	20 12:00pm VVCC Seniors - Painting Classes	21 10:00am Friends of McLaren Park 10:30am VV Task Force Safety Committee <i>Summer begins</i>
22	23 11:30am VVCC Seniors Shopping Day	24 12:30pm VVCC Senior Bingo 4:00pm VVCC Board Meeting	25	26 9:00am USDA  Surplus Food Distribution Day at VVCC	27 12:00pm VVCC Seniors - Painting Classes	28 10:30am Vis-Valley Task Force at 50 Raymond
29	30 11:30am VVCC Seniors Shopping Day	NEXT TASK FORCE MEETING SATURDAY JUNE 28, 10:30 A.M. VVCC, 50 RAYMOND		City Meetings: Aging-1st Wed 6:30 am; Airport-1st & 3rd Tu 3 pm; Arts-1st Mon 3 pm; Education-2nd/4th Tu 7 pm; Health-1st/3rd Tu 3 pm; Housing Authority-2nd/4th Th 4 pm; Human Rights-1st/3rd Th 4:30 pm; Library-1st Tu 5:30 pm; Planning-Th 1:30 pm; Police-Wed 5:30 pm; Port-1st Tu/3rd Wed 4:30 pm; Public Utilities-2nd/4th Tu 2 pm; Rec and Park-3rd Th 2 pm; Social Services-4th Th 9:30 am; Status of Women-4th Th 4pm; Supervisors-Mon 2 pm.		

### Grapevine Want Ads

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Every 6th, 7th and 8th grade student in the Valley is invited to attend the Summer School Program from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., followed by lunch an

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### Bump, the Grump



### What Are Your Summer Plans?

By Carrie Yee

Students of Visitacion Valley Middle School are very busy during their long summers. Different students have different summer plans. Here are some they would like to share:

\*Ray Pham, 8th grade: "I'm planning to go to summer school, then find a summer job."

\*Wendy Su, 8th grade: "I'm going to summer school."

\*William Lee, 8th grade: "I'm going to summer school and will stay home all day."

\*Wendy Lee, 6th grade: "I will stay home or go out."

### Summer Reading Club

A Summer Reading Club at the Visitacion Valley Library will start June 14 and run through Aug. 9. All youth through age 13 can read and win prizes. Registration will begin June 7.

A new Teen Summer Reading Program for teens ages 14 through 18 (or entering high school in the fall) commences June 7 and runs through July 19. A kick-off party for this program will be held June 6 at 3:30 p.m. Dancing, entertainment and refreshments will be available.

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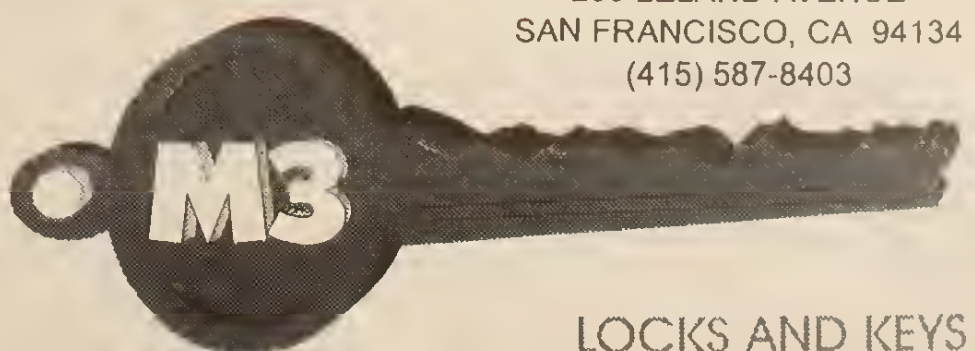
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## Task Force Meeting

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\***Voting:** (a) Eligibility to Vote. Persons entitled to vote at any meeting of members shall be Members as of the date next preceding the date notice is given in accordance with these bylaws.

(b) **Manner of Casting Vote.** Voting may be by voice or ballot, providing that any election of Task Force members must be by ballot if demanded by any member before the voting begins.

(c) Only majority of members represented at meeting required, unless otherwise specified.

\***Meetings Tape Recorded:** All Task Force meetings will be tape recorded. This is done to ensure that all community concerns will be addressed. It will also assist the secretary in documenting all motions put forth and voted on or carried over to the next meeting.

Sections in the amendments will move November and December VVTF meetings to the second Saturday of those months, while election of Task Force officers will take place during June meetings with those elected starting their terms on July 1.

### RECYCLING BRIEFING

Ed Cooney of the San Francisco Recycling Program explained that every household in the City is generating an average of one ton of garbage each year. He said a pit at the transfer station located on Tunnel Avenue is larger than a football field and that every day, San Francisco fills this pit 20 feet high.

Cooney said there are resources being thrown away every day and wanted to remind residents of the proper way to recycle: all paper (except for that coated with metal or wax), newspapers, magazines, and cardboard broken down to a maximum of 2-by-2 feet (to conform with limitations of the recycling trucks) are recyclable, along with junk mail. "If everyone in the City recycles just a couple of pieces of junk mail," said Cooney, "it would be saving 10,000,000 pounds a year from going into the waste stream, and going back into making paper. So a little bit goes a long way."

Plastics, he also explained, can be recycled if they have either a #1 or #2 designation in a small triangle. On the other hand, Styrofoam, which many people put out, isn't. Cooney also said it is unlawful for someone to remove the contents of another person's recycle box, and that general recycling questions could be answered by dialing 554-3400.

### ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY

Gloria Woo from the Mayor's Office of Community Development (MOCD) reported that the Enterprise Community (EC) at MOCD had convened to define outcomes for the second round of funding and that three recent meetings in Visitacion Valley determined which areas the community wanted to address. A community-at-large meeting provided a last opportunity for comments on the following four categories: a Visitacion Valley beautification plan; vocational education and training; safety; and the development of a community resource center to focus on community and information sharing.

VVTF member Don Bertone said all neighborhood groups and organizations should be allowed to participate, an idea seconded by Ralph Oroquita who said the wording should be as general as possible so that everyone in the Valley would have an equal chance at putting in a proposal.

Woo explained the outcome of this latest process would be available June 20, following EC Board approval on June 9.

### LELAND AVENUE PROJECT

Woo also updated a Leland Avenue Project, explaining the Mayor's Office would be doing economic development activities on Visitacion Valley's main street of commerce. With a recent tour of the street finding a number of vacated storefronts, she said the City would like to see a community-driven process initiated starting with a re-vamping of the current merchant's association. A kick-off event is being planned for June with City officials invited.

### COMMUNITY BOARDS

Selina Low of Community Boards talked of her organization's 20-year

tenure in conflict resolution and how San Francisco residents could use its services to settle disputes. Resolutions, she explained, are settled with three or four panelists who remain neutral while heightening communication be-

tween parties to settle their disputes.

A Community Boards seminar on *respect* held May 10 was successful, and will be followed by a second forum on Saturday, June 28 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the Visitacion Valley Com-

munity Center, 50 Raymond Ave.

### NEXT TASK FORCE MEETING

Next VVTF meeting will be held on Saturday, June 28, 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon at the Visitacion Valley Community Center, 50 Raymond Ave.

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